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Flogging Used to Maintain Discipline—Wages 75 Cents to \$2 for 18 Hours

HIGH COMMISSARY PRICES

Gulfport, Miss., Dec. 3.—"Slavery in its most hideous form" is the proper description of the labor conditions in the Vicksburg area of the Mississippi River levee project, according to the report of two representatives of the American Federation of Labor who made a

The survey was made by Thomas E. Carroll of Washington and Holt Ross of

New Orleans, who submitted their findings to William Green, president of the Federation, with the recommendation that Congress be asked to end the intolerable conditions.

The levee construction is a Federal project. The actual work is done by private contractors under supervision of the War Department. It is part of the Government's flood control projects.

Conditions are worse than the force

Gross brutality, including flogging and beating with pistol butts, are used in maintenance of discipline.

Men are forced to work from 12 to 13 hours a day; in many cases without pay for overtime after 12 hours.

Commissary Victimization
Commissary trade is obligatory and charges for foodstuffs are exorbitant. Arbitrary deductions of \$4.50 a month for common labor and \$2 for skilled.

One group of 30 workers, who have worked a total of 439 hours, receive only \$144, the report stated.

30 Contractors Involved

land and Pittsburgh, were declared culpable.

Carroll and Ross said complaint of the Vicksburg Chamber of Commerce covering the general labor conditions had been received.

... been sent to President Hoover and
... members of Congress, but that their re-
... port on alleged slavery and brutality
... would be transmitted to Federal au-
... thorities by President Green.

Unionist Criticizes in Labor Movement

handled in a manner that astounded some of us who knew something of the inner negotiations and ended finally by the action of some with us who pre-

ferred the spiritual interest of the children to their mental improvement. "Commendable perhaps, but all that happened to our disaster.

"Definitely, the Premier and the Chancellor of the Exchequer were responsible."

ble in considerable degree for the wealthiness of the record we had to show upon the constructive home front, and it is but the irony of circumstances that the 'Prophet' and the 'Saint,' idealized and beatified by the people in our move-

ment, responsible, we repeat for our record at home, that they should become politically apostate and lead the party that has brought about our eternal disaster.

No Interest in Trade Unions

"Neither of them at any time in the career showed any interest in the Ten-

"They were born and educated on the side of it with a result that our youth in the cause must not see repeated. The party of 1924 was led out of office."

Railway Unions Defeated

"We had none in 1899. Before that time the present writer so far as I know was the only Socialist in a couple of counties, he was a member of a

"He has seen the Trade Union and the Socialist Movement grow until, spite of apostasy, we have nearly 7,000,000 electors organized."

Placeseekers Spell Disaster
"He has seen the rich and the haugh

"He has seen all the time that whifely to principle was the greater virtue, the worship of the eloquent place-seeker was the surest road to dis-

"The Trade Union Movement has been taught a political lesson we expected in due time would be taught."

"A number of the old and loyal members who made the Movement have gone on."

forever, they have served their time; they have made their generation, and is the young now who must learn to serve and learn by the lesson this election has taught us."

COMPENSATION AWARDED
MAN HURT GOING TO WORK

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 5.—In a five four decision the Supreme Court Washington reversed a decision of lower court denying compensation to

worker who was injured in an automobile accident while going from one place to another pursuant to his employer's orders.

that the employee was not paid wages but merely transportation expenses while enroute was immaterial, and he held that compensation was payable because the employee was performing his duty to the employer when injured and was

within the scope of his employment.